Second Member of Council.—Where do they want it?

Mr. R. Gopalswami Iyer.—Anywhere near *e.g.*, near the Lal-Bagh.

Second Member of Council.—It is very malarial.

Dewan.—This scheme has first to be discussed in the Municipality and a recommendation should come from them.

SUBJECT NO. 71.

Mutton stalls in Municipalities.

Mr. Syed Khaja Peeran Sab, Muslim Association, Tarikere.

Mr. Syed Khaja Peeran Sab.—The system of selling mutton stalls by public auction now in practice within the areas of different Municipalities may be abolished, and the system of leasing them out for rent as in the Bangalore City Municipality adopted.

Second Member of Council.—This can be discussed in the Municipalities. Government cannot issue a general order in such matters.

Dewan.—This is a matter which can be disposed of by the Municipal authorities.

Messrs. Syed Khaja Peeran and Rasul Khan.—In the Municipal Councils, we cannot obtain sufficient votes to carry our point, and hence this representation. Auctioning is not in force in Bangalore and Mysore. If this is to be auctioned, stalls for vegetables should also be auctioned.

MISCELLANEOUS—(MUZRAI).

(Nos. 72 to 74.)

SUBJECT NO. 72.

(*a*) Empowering Deputy Commissioners to sanction Muzrai works costing Rs. 1,000.

(*b*) Empowering Deputy Commissioners and Amildars to sanction Muzrai works costing Rs. 100, and Rs. 50 respectively.

(*a*) Messrs Lingegowda, Krishnarajpete Taluk; P. Muthaiya and Dasegowda, Channarayapatna Taluk.

(*b*) Mr. B. Nagappachar, Belur Taluk.

(*a*) *Mr. Lingegowda.*—There is considerable delay in sanctioning the estimates and also in the payment of bills. There are many instances in which bills have been pending for a long time. Such delay causes not only loss and inconvenience to the people but it also involves additional cost to Government. To avoid delay and inconvenience the Deputy Commissioners may be empowered to sanction Muzrai works estimated to cost Rs. 1,000 or less, and to order payment of the same.

First Member of Council.—It is doubtful how far the inconveniences will be remedied by empowering the Deputy Commissioners to sanction works up to Rs. 1,000. As regards non-payment of bills for a long time, if you give concrete instances, they will be enquired into. The whole question of powers of officers in regard to Muzrai works will be investigated by Government.

Mr. Krishna Sastri.—The Deputy Commissioners may be empowered to sanction estimates up to Rs. 500 and the Amildars up to Rs. 100.

First Member of Council.—As I have said already it will receive the consideration of Government.

(*b*) *Mr. B. Nagappachar.*—I request that I may be permitted to express my opinion, that the Deputy Commissioners may be empowered to sanction Muzrai works up to Rs. 100 and the Amildars up to Rs. 50.

First Member of Council.—Very well, it will be considered.

SUBJECT NO. 73.

(*a*) Supervision and (*b*) Control of Muzrai institutions.

(*a*) Messrs. M. Timmaiya, Tarikere Taluk, and (*b*) Yellappa Chetty Tarikere Municipality.

First Member of Council.—Has not the present supervision proved satisfactory? Does it cause inconvenience to the people?

Mr. M. Timmaiya.—The present system is not satisfactory. In fact there is no service at all for the last three or four months in the temples in Tarikere.

First Member of Council.—Are there no *Dharmadarsis*?

Mr. M. Timmaiya.—No, Sir.

First Member of Council.—Did you inform the Deputy Commissioner?

Mr. M. Timmaiya.—No, Sir.

Mr. Krishna Sastri.—With regard to the control of the Muzrai institutions I might mention that the *Dharmadarsis* have no controlling powers at all. Unless their powers are enhanced I am afraid the state of affairs will be worse. I might also suggest that the Amildar may be allowed to serve as a *Dharmadarsi* also instead of merely being a superior controlling Officer. The whole thing is in utter confusion.

Mr. V. Shamaiengar.—I do not see any proper reason why their powers should be enhanced. I think the present system is quite all right. If we enhance the powers of the minor office-bearers it will only end in defalcations etc.

First Member of Council.—The matter will be enquired into. As regards transferring the control of Muzrai institutions to local bodies, the Deputy Commissioners have been asked to give their opinion on the subject. As soon as the replies are received the same will be communicated to you.

Subject No. 74.

Increase of emoluments to Muzrai officials.

Messrs. V. Shamaiengar & N. Puttanna, T.-Narsipur Taluk, Varadaiya, T.-Narsipur Municipality and Lakshminarasappa, Mugur Municipality.

Mr. V. Shamaiengar.—The pay given to the employees of temples is very poor. There is much discontent spreading among them. Of late it is experienced that it is very difficult to secure appropriate persons. I am afraid the few employees we have got may also not be available in course of time if they are poorly paid. In order to remove discontent among the employees and to improve the quality of work, they should be remunerated handsomely. Savings are now credited to the credit of the temple fund. This should not be the case.

First Member of Council.—We must keep some funds for repairing charges etc.

Mr. Shamiengar.—In T.-Narsipur Taluk the temples are deteriorating. The management is bad. For a month there was no service (puja) at all.

First Member of Council.—Did you report the fact to the Amildar?

Mr. Shamaaiengar.—Yes, Sir. But no response to our representations.

Dewan.—It will be investigated.

MISCELLANEOUS

(Nos. 75 to 80.)

Subject No. 75.

Amelioration of the condition of Panchamas.

Mr. P. Murugesam Pillai, Adi-Dravida Abhivriddhi Sangam, Bangalore.

i. Representation in public bodies.

Mr. P. Murugesam Pillai.—With a view to help the amelioration of the condition of the Panchamas, I propose that they should be represented on each of the several public bodies like the Legislative Council, Central Recruitment Board the Senate of the Mysore University, the Board of Agriculture, The Board of Education, Municipal Councils and Local Boards, Board of Industries and Commerce, S. S. L. C. Board, the Local Examination Board, and the Scholarship Committee.